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SUBJ: PROJECT OMEGA: U.S. FUNDING FOR LORAN

REF: A) CANBERRA 5276 B) STATE 218473

1. IN RESPONSE TO INFORMATION CONTAINED REF B, DFA REQUESTS

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON U.S. FUNDING OF LORAN SYSTEM.

PERTINENT PARTS OF DFA LETTER ARE:

"YOU HAVE STATED THAT SOME LORAN STATIONS ARE NOW OPERATED BY COUNTRIES IN WHICH THEY ARE LOCATED. WE WONDER WHETHER THIS MEANS THAT SOME COUNTRIES MEET THE OPERATING COSTS OF THE LORAN STATIONS OR WHETHER THE U.S. MEETS ALL THESE COSTS. IT WOULD ALSO BE USEFUL TO HAVE AN INDICATION OF THE TOTAL CAPITAL COST AND THE CURRENT OPERATING COSTS OF THE LORAN STATIONS".

2. IN CONVERSATION WITH DFA OFFICIAL INVOLVED, EMBOFF ASKED IF INFORMATION REQUESTED ABOVE COULD BE PROVIDED IN GENERAL TERMS RATHER THAN AS SPECIFIC BREAKDOWN INVOLVING INFORMATION ON EACH LORAN STATION CURRENTLY IN OPERATION. DFA OFFICIAL RESPONDED THAT PURPOSE OF QUESTIONS WAS TO ELICIT SOME BASIS OF COMPARISON BETWEEN USG FUNDING OF CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATING COSTS FOR LORAN STATIONS AND LORAN SYSTEM WITH USG FUNDING OF PROJECT OMEGA STATION IN AUSTRALIA AND OMEGA SYSTEM IN GENERAL. AS INDICATED REF A, QUESTION ABOUT USG FUNDING OF LORAN SYSTEM WAS RAISED IN JOINT PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE HEARINGS IN CONTEXT OF WHETHER USG WAS BEING "RELATIVELY GENEROUS"

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IN ITS FUNDING OF PROJECT OMEGA STATION IN AUSTRALIA. EMBASSY

BELIEVES THEREFORE THAT DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSE ON THIS QUESTION
COULD BE IMPORTANT IN ASSURING JOINT COMMITTEE THAT USG HAS
BEEN GENEROUS IN ITS OFFERS ON ASSISTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION
AND OPERATION OF BOTH THE LORAN AND OMEGA SYSTEMS.
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